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United States Department of Transportation
Office of the Secretary
400 7th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: In the Matter of Expanding International Air Service Opportunities to More U.S.
Cities
Docket No. 46534

Gentlemen:

I wish to comment on the Department of Transportation's above captioned proposal designed to expand international air service opportunities to more U.S. Cities.

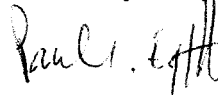
Specifically, I have reviewed the order requesting comments issued by the Department on the tenth day of October 1989 and concur that an approach which, under certain well defined conditions, would grant foreign carrier requests to offer new U.S. Services, notwithstanding the absence of bilateral rights, is justified.

I am in favor of granting such rights to foreign carriers provided the conditions contained in the proposal are set forth in the final rule.

As a businessman in Western New York engaged in international commerce, I can envision an immediate enhancement in the level of international air service to this area that would result from the adoption of the proposal. The economic growth in this area occasioned by the U.S.-Canada Trade Accord can only be enhanced through the timely implementation of proposals such as this which are clearly responsive to the present needs of international commerce.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment on this matter.

Yours very truly,



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